

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Strengthening Child Health and Nutrition Services – Establishment of Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) in Teaching and District Hospitals and ITDA Area Hospitals – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (D2) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 148

Dated: 08.06.2011

Read the following:

1. Administrative Approval of NRHM PIP 2010-11 by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, F.No.10(3)/2010, NRHM- 1, Dt.23-6-2010.
2. The Commissioner of Health & Family Welfare, Lr.Rc.No.77/NRC/JD(CH&I), dated.11.03.2011.
3. Managing Director, APMSIDC, Letter No. Rc.No.1101/APMSIDC/NRHM, dated 08.03.2011.

ORDER:

1. The malnutrition levels amongst children continues to be a major public health concern; the National Family Health Survey III has revealed that 34 percent of children under three years of age in Andhra Pradesh are stunted, 13 percent are wasted, and 37 percent are underweight. Severe acute malnutrition (SAM), a condition associated with high mortality and morbidity, that requires specialised treatment and sustained follow-up, remains a major concern; it is estimated that 3.22 lakh children in the state are suffering from SAM. It has been observed that majority of children with SAM suffer silently without access to appropriate treatment.

2. The Government's endeavour it to ensure that every child is born healthy and grows and thrives to realise his / her full potential. In this direction, the Government hereby orders that all hospitals, health centres and health facilities in the state – under the control of the government, private and non-profit sectors – to implement the Government of India guidelines for Facility based-Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illness (F-IMNCI).

3. The F-IMNCI and Indian Academy of Paediatrics (IAP) has recommended for therapeutic feeding of SAM children during transition and rehabilitation. The ultimate goal of this initiative is to ensure that children with SAM have access to inpatient treatment through a sustainable and scalable system. It is envisaged that the improved provision of treatment according to these standards will decrease the mortality rates of children due to SAM. In this context, the Government has decided to establish Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) in all teaching and district hospitals in a phased manner.

4. In this background, the Government has carefully examined the proposal of the Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare (CH&FW) received in the second reference read above and hereby accord administrative sanction for establishment of thirty (30) Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRC) with a budgetary outlay of Rupees two hundred eighty nine lakhs and fifty thousand (Rs. 289.50 lakhs) in identified teaching and district hospitals and in Area Hospitals in ITDA areas in a phased manner. In addition, the Government sanctions Rupees Two hundred lakhs (Rs 200.00 lakhs) for annual operational cost of Thirty NRCs for the 2011-12 financial year, at the rate of rupees ten lakhs for the twenty bed NRC.

5. The Government orders that one NRC with twenty beds each shall be established in the Paediatrics Department of Teaching Hospitals at Srikakulam (RIMS), Visakhapatnam, Kakinada, Vijayawada, Guntur, Ongole (RIMS), Tirupathi, Ananthapur,

Kadapa (RIMS), Kurnool, Warangal, Adilabad (RIMS), Gandhi Hospital (Hyderabad). In addition, one NRC with twenty beds each shall be established in the district hospitals at Vizianagaram, Eluru, Nellore, Mahabubnagar, Nalgonda, Sangareddy (Medak district), Tandur (Ranga Reddy district), Karimnagar, Nizamabad and Khammam as integral part of the existing Paediatrics Department of these hospitals. In addition, one NRC with ten beds each shall be established in the Area Hospitals in the ITDA areas at Paderu (Vishakhapatnam), Rampachodavaram (East Godavari), Bhadrachalam (Khammam), Utnoor (Adilabad), Srisailem (Kurnool), Parvathipuram (Vizianagaram) and Seethampet (Srikakulam).

6. The government accords sanction for the following budget for the establishment of NRCs from the National Rural Health Mission allocation. These estimates, however, are tentative and are subject to revision based on actual requirement.

SN	Description	No. of Units	Unit Cost	Amount (Rs Lakhs)
1.	10 bedded NRC	05	4.70	23.50
2.	20 Bedded NRC	23	7.00	161.00
3.	NRC Equipments	30	3.50	105.00
	Sub-Total (Capital Costs)			289.50
4	Annual Operating Cost	30	6.00	180.00
5	Annual Operating Cost	05	4.00	20.00
	Sub-Total (Operating Costs)			200.00
	Grand Total			489.50

7. The Mission Director shall be responsible for the overall execution of this programme. The Managing Director of Andhra Pradesh Medical Services and Infrastructure Development Corporation (APMSIDC) shall undertake construction of the civil works and procure, install, commission, train and provide service support for five years for the equipment duly following the rules, regulations and procedures established by the government. The Chief Engineer of APMSIDC shall work in close coordination with the concerned Hospital Superintendent and the head of the Paediatric departments while finalising the designs for the civil works. The technical advice of Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) and the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF) shall be obtained in this regard.

8. The Government hereby accepts the proposal of the Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) to provide technical assistance in addressing the operational issues relating to the management of NRCs and to supply calorie-dense dietary supplement to the children with SAM until March 2012.

9. The Mission Director of National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) shall release funds from NRHM account to the implementing agencies and monitor its utilisation closely. He shall monitor the progress and submit monthly performance reports to the Government. The Director of Medical Education and Commissioner of APVVP shall be directly responsible for the timely and successful establishment of the NRCs by 30 September 2011. The Mission Director shall prepare detailed guidelines for effective management of the NRCs in close collaboration with CHAI and UNICEF and organise workshops for all stakeholders in effective implementation. Detailed guidelines for the referral of children with SAM to NRCs, institutional arrangement for effective NRC Management, Monitoring system, coordination mechanism between Medical and Health and Women and Children Departments will be issued separately.

10. The NRHM Mission Director, Managing Director of APMSIDC, Director of Medical Education and APVVP Commissioner shall take immediate action for implementation of these orders.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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All District Medical and Health Officers
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All District Coordinator of Health Services (DCHS)
All Superintendents of Teaching / District / Area Hospitals
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